

54 Brownfields Grants Awarded Worth \$7.95M

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Vice President Al Gore awarded 54 grants totaling nearly \$8M to help communities across the country redevelop brownfields sites. Communities that have received initial pilot grants will be awarded supplemental funding to build on their success in revitalizing brownfields. Over the past seven years, the Clinton-Gore Administration has awarded over 300 EPA brownfields grants to states, cities, towns, and tribes throughout the nation totaling \$69M. Some of the communities receiving grants today include: Miami, FL and Miami-Dade County, FL (\$200,000), Portland, OR (\$150,000), Philadelphia, PA (\$150,000), Saginaw, MI (\$150,000), and Stockton, CA (\$200,000). One example of how a community is using its grant is Saginaw's plan to continue its investigation of brownfields properties and to develop cleanup and redevelopment strategies as part of its plan to revitalize the downtown area. Another example is the City of Stockton, which plans to "daylight" a section of the Stockton Channel, work on the Cineplex/Hotel Stockton Renovation project, and work on the proposed minor league baseball stadium. For more information, visit http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/.